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Prices continued unchanged. Trade sentiment was usually steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to good and best where features were in progress or planned. Supplies were sufficient to available. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to fully adequate in the East. However, in the Midwest, offerings were slightly less available and ranged adequate to barely adequate for current needs. Demand for additional product was light to at times fairly good. Light type fowl were generally sufficient for the light

NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

to fair demand. Processing schedules were reduced for the upcoming holiday.

NORTH ATLANTIC Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady entering the weekend. Demand ranged moderate to good, best where features were planned for the holiday. Supplies were adequate to available for immediate trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to fully adequate for the light demand. Light type hens were generally sufficient for the light to fair demand. Processing schedules for the upcoming week were reduced due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

NEW YORK Prices ended the week unchanged on all sizes. The market tone remained steady. Demand was moderate to good, best where holiday features were in progress or planned. Supplies were fully adequate for current needs.

MIDWEST Prices ended the week unchanged. Trade sentiment remained mostly steady for the larger sizes and steady to cautiously steady for the lighter weight eggs. Retail demand was mixed, usually moderate to fairly good where holiday feature activity was a driving factor. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings slightly tighter than early week trading and rated as just adequate to barely adequate. Demand was fair to occasionally fairly good with a number of operators experiencing trucking shortages as the Thanksgiving holiday week approaches. Schedules still adjusting for next week, somewhat lighter. Floor stocks closely balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment steady.

CHICAGO Prices for all sizes unchanged. The market tone was mostly steady. Retail and food service demand was mixed, best where features are a factor. Supplies were adequate to available.

SOUTHERN Prices ended the week unchanged on all sizes. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending unchanged. The market tone was generally steady entering the weekend. Demand was moderate to good, best where holiday features were in progress or planned. Supplies were adequate to available for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to fully adequate for the light demand. Light type fowl were generally adequate and demand was light to fair. Processing schedules for next week were reduced due the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday.

<u>WEST COAST</u> Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. Retailer demand seasonally good. Offerings easily adequate.

<u>PRICES TO RETAILERS</u>, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	116-118	107-109	75-77
New York	84-88	82-86	70-74
Philadelphia	82-86	81-84	69-72
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	74-79	72-75	61-64
Jackson (1)	81-83	77-79	66-68
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	83-94	80-90	67-79
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	74-78	72-76	63-67
Detroit (2)	70-75	69-73	60-67
Major Ohio Cities (2)	72-76	71-74	62-64
Major Wisconsin Cities	73-80	72-78	62-67
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	91-93	87-90	75-77
Southern California (Grade A	A)(4) 95-101	93-96	84-87
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	112	106	97
(1) - Prices reported weekly	(3) - R	eported Invo	pice prices
(2) - Delivered Warehouse	(4) - P	rices to Reta	ailers

<u>CALIFORNIA EGGS</u> Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand seasonally fairly good. Offerings easily adequate. Small benchmark price 77. Ads in Southern California: smaller outlets-jumbo dozen 98, extra large 20 pack 179-199, 2 for \$3, large dozen 99.

CALIFORNIA California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect dis-

counts or other contract terms.	RANGE
JUMBO	117
EXTRA LARGE	112
LARGE	106
MEDIUM	97
CORRECTION FOR MONDAY, NOV. 18	
MEDIUM SHOULD READ	97

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE

DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.	RANGE
JUMBO	97-107
EXTRA LARGE	95-101
LARGE	93-96
MEDIUM	84-87

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS,

CENTS PER DOZEN.	RANGE
JUMBO	239-299
EXTRA LARGE	229-299
LARGE	199
MEDIUM	179

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices unchanged. Offerings slightly tighter than early week trading and rated as just adequate to barely adequate. Demand was fair to occasionally fairly good with a number of operators experiencing trucking shortages as the Thanksgiving holiday week approachs. Schedules still adjusting for next week, somewhat lighter. Floor stocks in closely balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

RANGE NEST RUN 41-44 CHECKS & UNDERGRADES 29-33 AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to early week's trading. The undertone was steady. Demand was light. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Operating schedules for next week are mostly reduced for the Thanksgiving holiday, however some breakers were anticipating heavy schedules. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending November 16, 2002 were 2 precent less than the previous week and 6 percent less than the same week a year ago.

CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSILI
NEST RUN	38-44	40-43
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	26-35.25	27-31
EASTERN REGION AREA:		

AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV,MC,PA,RI,SC,TN,RI,S

<u>EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION -</u> W/E -15-Nov-02 (LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CAS	SES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	BRO	KEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,167	,122	28,063	10,885	5,521	2,016	4,124
PW	1,158	,435	28,044	10,206	5,642	1,934	4,105
LY	1,201	,735	29,067	10,934	5,658	2,121	4,223
% CHC	3 PW	1	0	7	-2	4	0
% CHG	3 LY	-3	-3	0	-2	-5	-2
2002	55,635	,526	1,298,142	533,502	286,645	129,864	197,162
2001	53,336,5	97 1,	214,040	533,096	285,164	117,680	190,314
% CHC	3 YTD	4	7	0	1	10	4
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	CURRENT	PREVIOUSL	AST
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.63	41.43	41.51
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	38.10	37.89	37.99

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 74 to 80 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported. Trade sentiment was steady to barley steady for whole egg, steady on whites, and barely steady to instances weak on yolk. Demand was mostly light with some last minute add-ons and trucking difficulties being experienced by many breakers. Offerings were usually adequate with most breakers not interested in business outside of contractual agreements. Breaking stock supplies were closely balanced to adequate with prices unchanged when compared to last week's reported prices.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 22 November, 2002 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

				CHANGE FROM
CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	LAST WEEK
WHOLE	8	37-39	38.25	.79
WHITES	10	13-17.5	14.05	.83
YOLKS	9	80-83	81.11	-2.45

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Mostly prices were unchanged to slightly higher on sugar yolks, unchanged to slightly lower on salt yolks, and unchanged on the balance of products when compared to last week's trading. The market tone was barely steady on salt yolks and steady to about steady on the remainder of items. Demand was reported as light to moderate from most traders. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced for current trade requirements. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending November 16, 2002 were unchanged from the previous week, but 7% lower than a year ago.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER LB IN 30 LB. CANS)

	TRUCKLOTS	(MIN	I. 25 CONT.)
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	41-51	46-48	54-58
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		74-90
WHITES	21-32	22-24	28-42
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43%	SOLIDS) 81-92	86-91	91-98
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% S	OLIDS) 80-86		87-95
(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLU	JS SWEETENER,	, GENERALI	LY 28-32%
EGG SOLIDS.			

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN Frozen whole egg and white mostly prices were uchanged to 1 cent higher with sugared yolk mostly unchanged to 1 cent lower. Salt yolk ranged 2 cents lower. Trade sentiment was steady for whole egg and whites, about steady for sugared yolk and barely steady to weak for salt yolk. Last minute orders and changes had many processors very busy and most rated demand as somewhat brisk for all products with the exception of salt yolk which was a sluggish mover this week. Offerings tight to adequate. Floor stocks in very close balance to adequate. Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged when compared to last week's reported values.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER LB IN 30 LB. CANS)
TRUCKLOTS

	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	46-49	46-48
WHITES	22-32	22-25
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	86-91	88-90
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	82-86	
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices	sunchanged	Southern

California breaking activity for the week ending 11/16 was 2% more than the previous week. Demand seasonally good with freezer stocks adequate.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	KANGE
WHOLE	53-56
WHITES	28-31
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	94-97
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	90-93

NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT Mostly prices were unchanged to lower on whole and albumen, and unchanged on the balance of items when compared to last week's trading. The market tone ranged steady to barely steady. Offerings were usually adequate for trade needs. Demand was light to moderate. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending November 16, 2002 were 4% higher than last week, but 5% less than the same week a year ago. The overall, total year to date dried egg produced was 10% more than last year.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAINERS. TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

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WHOLE	1.60-2.00	MOSTLY 1.65-1.75
YOLKS	1.90-2.30	MOSTLY 2.00-2.05
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	1.55-2.00	MOSTLY 1.60-1.70
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETEN	IER)1.28-1.40	MOSTLY 1.35-1.40

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TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOV 15, 2002-NOV 21, 2002 **CURRENT LOADS FUTURE LOADS** 70.50 **TOTAL LOADS** 168.25 SE NE MW SC NW SW ORG **CLASS ORG** DST DST DST LOADS **CLASS ORG DST DST DST ORG ORG ORG LOADS** GNR W XL 54.00 **GNR W XL** 57.00 57.00 1.00 58.00 1.00 56.00 GNR W 1 55.50 60.24 54.13 54.63 GNR W 1 57.00 55.38 37.50 60.25 4.00 GL W J 59.00 GNR W 2 63.00 50.00 52.00 3.00 2.00 **GNR BR 1** 73.00 61.00 62.00 3.00 GL W XL 53.50 55.00 59.04 14.75 GL W J 48.00 73.00 2.25 GL W LG 62.00 62.77 50.50 62.35 27.75 GL W MD GL W XL 69.47 66.83 67.69 51.30 60.33 48.00 51.00 53.15 **—** 52.00 54.89 11.50 GL W LG 68.68 54.00 65.50 54.03 61.50 40.50 GL W SM 29.00 30.00 .75 GL W MD 49.51 49.00 44.32 53.60 18.00 GL W SM 26.38 27.00 3.50 28.54 **NRBS - 50** 44.75 22.00 44.36 NRBS - 48 44.00 18.00 **NRBS - 39** 20.00 30.80 30.00 32.50 15.25

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

EASTERN LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Offerings were generally adequate. Demand was light to fair at best and generally unaggessive. Processing schedules for next week were reduced for the holiday. Movement of finished product was at least moderate. The undertone was generally steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices unchanged. Demand mostly moderate with offerings fully adequate. Schedules shortened for next week. Trade sentiment steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Negotiations were too few to report. Demand was light to moderate for fully adequate offerings from producers. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants worked full schedules. Offerings adequate.

LIVE TYPE HENS

CENTS PER LB., DAY OF NEGOTIATION, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

LIGHT	RANGE		MAJORITY
Eastern Light	0-0	(1)	
Eastern Light	0-0	(2)	
So. Central Light	TFEWR	(2)	
No. Central Light	TFEWR	(1)	
No. Central Light	0	(2)	
(1) Buyer Loading	(2) Producer Loa	ading	
(TFEWR) TOO FEW	/ TO REPORT		

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 22-NOV-02 FEDERAL-STATE AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIV-ERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	85.50	83.64	71.63
SOUTHERN	81.98	78.68	67.26
MIDWEST	74.70	73.01	64.06
WESTERN	102.16	97.78	88.36
TWELVE METRO AREAS	88.69	85.83	75.62

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Majority prices were generally unchanged on both light and heavy canners when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies and offerings were in close balance to tight and clearing. The undertone was at least steady to fully steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITH OUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS	HEAVY CANNER HENS
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	(WITHOUT NECKS)
20.5-26 MAJORITY 21.5-22	30.5-36 MAJORITY 31.5-32.5

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS HEAVY CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) (WITHOUT NECKS) 32.5-38 MAJORITY 33-34 21.5-27.5 MAJORITY 23.75

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 16-Nov-02 (PRELIMINARY) U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY LIGHT HEAVY **TOTAL HENS HENS HENS** (THOUSANDS) 2.964 **HEAD** 1.441 1.523 LAST WEEK 1.548 2.986 1.438 SAME WEEK YR AGO 1.568 1.545 3.113 TO-DATE/2002 80.237 65.362 145.599

82.084

145.888

63.804

	U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA			
	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL	
(THOUSANDS)	HENS	HENS	HENS	
HEAD	266	11	277	
LAST WEEK	220	0	220	
SAME WEEK YR AGO	277	0	277	
TO-DATE/2002	13,904	286	14,190	
TO-DATE/2001	18,912	279	19,191	

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA					
	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL		
(THOUSANDS)	HENS	HENS	HENS		
HEAD	1,707	1,534	3,241		
LAST WEEK	1,658	1,548	3,206		
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,845	1,545	3,390		
TO-DATE/2002	94,141	65,648	159,789		
TO-DATE/2001	100,996	64,083	165,079		

TO-DATE/2001

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade					
U.S. Exports to	Canada, in F	Pounds (000)	(Preliminary))	
Week Ending No	ovember 09,	2002	Year	-To-Date	
	2002	2001/1	2002	2001	
Liquid	407	315	22,465	11,420	
Frozen	0	0	21	78	
Dried	0	40	744	280	
Total	407	355	23,230	11,778	
U.S. Imports Fro	om Canada,	in Pounds (0	00) (Prelimin	ary)	
Week Ending No	ovember 09,	2002	Year	-To-Date	
	2002	2001/1	2002	2001	
Liquid	138	153	5,465	4,840	

23

176

0

2,994

4,645

13,104

1.414

492 6,746

Inspected Shell Eggs

Frozen

Dried

Total

U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)

6

120

264

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Week Ending November 09, 2002			Yea	ar-To-Date
	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Jumbo	83	0	1,679	87
Extra Large	2,900	1,110	41,112	60,602
Large	3,730	2,620	116,397	120,618
Medium	120	900	43,511	40,408
Ungraded	5,220	17,590	311,015	374,040
Misc	0	0	14,797	69,614
Total	12,053	22,220	528,511	665,369
/1 Comparable Week to-date figures may not total due to rounding				

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IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSINPRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS,LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS).CENTS PER DOZENLARGE MEDIUM SMALL

CENTS PER DOZEN

LARGE MEDIUM SMALL
51-55 42-46 11-15

<u>DETROIT</u> PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE. CENTS PER DOZEN.

 JUMBO
 EXTRA LARGE
 LARGE
 MEDIUM
 SMALL

 76-86
 70-73
 67-72
 60-64
 31-35

NEW ENGLAND PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
122-125	97-100	88-91	56-59	25-28

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -

SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

		FREGS	TURKS	POP
		LBS	LBS	LBS
AM	11/18/02	2,984	154,898	82,229
AM	11/01/02	2,384	178,029	77,841
CHG		600	-23131	4388
PCT	CHG	25%	-13%	6%

MOVEMENT OF EGGS II SELECTED	W/E PCT C	16-Nov-02 :HG		
CONSUMING CENTERS	THO	OUSANDS	PW	LY
ATLANTA	24.4	24.7	-1	-13
BOSTON	3.7	3.5	6	-5
CHICAGO	59.4	54.2	10	7
DETROIT	30.6	30.3	1	-3
KANSAS CITY	3.7	3.6	3	9
LOSANGELES	80.2	83.7	-4	-40
NEW ORLEANS	14.3	14.7	-3	18
NEW YORK	32.4	37.9	-15	-16
ST. LOUIS	19.6	16.7	17	-4
SAN FRANCISCO	23.8	22.9	4	-15
TOTAL	292.1	292.2	0	-16
4 WK MVG AVG	282.3			

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT W/E 16-Nov-02 (RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

,	CASES	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
REGIONS	(IN THOUS)	PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	240.2	0	3
E.N. CENTRAL	593.4	4	11
W.N. CENTRAL	302.6	6	2
S. ATLANTIC	207.2	10	3
S. CENTRAL	94.6	1	9
WEST	197.8	5	-12
TOTAL	1635.8	4	4
MATCHED PLAN	TS REPORTING	87	86

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT, NOV 19, 2002. PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

EXT	RA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	130	121	89	58
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	123-127	114-118	82-86	51-55
MOSTLY	125-126	116-117	84-85	53-54
RHODE ISLAND	128-132	119-123	87-91	57-61
MOSTLY	128	119	87	57
VERMONT	130-133	120-124	89-92	-
MOSTLY	133	124	92	-

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MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT

(In Units of 1,000)

	Sep-30	Sep-30	Oct-31	Oct-31
	2001	2002	2001	2002
FROZEN EGGS:				
Whites	4,251	1,719	3,024	1,862
Yolks	777	890	744	656
Whole & Mixed	11,274	7,037	10,298	6,844
Unclassified	1,401	3,577	1,453	3,649
Total Frozen Eggs	17,703	13,223	15,519	13,011

CHICKENS AND EGGS

OCTOBER EGG PRODUCTION UP 1 PERCENT

U.S. egg production totaled 7.41 billion during October 2002, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.34 billion table eggs and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 58.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during October 2002 averaged 338 million, up slightly from a year earlier. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,192 eggs, up 1 percent from the 2,180 eggs in October 2001.

October 2002 contained 23 weekdays, one holiday and four Saturdays, the same as October 2001.